

# City of Burbank

## PUBLIC INFORMATION BULLETIN



Burbank, Illinois 60459-1198

Winter, 2002

from the  
Mayor's Desk...



**Harry J. Klein, Mayor**

To many, if not all of Burbank's citizens, our homes are the single greatest asset we possess. Recently, your city sold vacant lots at our old police department site, 78th and Leamington, through sealed bids. Some of the vacant lots sold for \$72,000 on 50 foot frontages. Homes in the \$300,000-\$400,000 approximate range are currently being built there. Our homes, like the vacant lots, have also seen meteoric increases in value, in spite of a lackluster economy. That's good! New construction is going on throughout Burbank and that's good also!



### WHAT'S UP IN BURBANK?



- Property values in areas surrounding Burbank, to be honest, have also seen strength in real estate values. Burbank, however, is our concern and values have gone up for a number of reasons:
- ✓ our close geographic proximity to Chicago, offering public transportation and access to job markets;
  - ✓ stable governmental entities working together for all the people;
  - ✓ good schools, both grammar and high schools;
  - ✓ beautiful parks and organized activities;
  - ✓ continued maintenance and construction of infrastructure, i.e., sidewalks, street lighting, curbs, sewers, etc. ;
  - ✓ houses of worship for all denominations; and
  - ✓ one of the lowest municipal tax rates in the southwest suburbs.

I'm sure you'll be able to think of a myriad of other reasons why our property values have soared. Many of these reasons are attributed to you for taking care and maintaining your homes.

### MERRY CHRISTMAS

May the holiday season find you and your family in good health today and in the future. Together with the City Council, I wish each of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Yours in good government  
always,

Harry J. Klein  
Mayor



## From the City Clerk's Office ... **BETTY TROVATO**

### **A NOTE TO ANIMAL OWNERS**

Animal licenses for the year 2002 will expire on December 31, 2002. If you did not receive a renewal form in the mail, they are available from the Clerk's Office on the first floor of City Hall. The fee is \$5.00 per year. An animal found running loose without a current license is subject to its owner receiving a ticket.

The Clerk's Office has again been receiving calls from residents who are having problems with dog owners who are not observing the guidelines set down by the City of Burbank with regard to leash use when walking their dogs. Another frequent complaint comes from property owners and families who use the parks regarding pet owners who are not cleaning up after their pets. If you have a pet, take responsibility for your pet.



### **ARE YOU STILL DISPLAYING INVALID WINDOW STICKERS?**

In January of 2000 the City Council passed an Ordinance 7-1-00 amending the Burbank Code. Under this ordinance it is illegal to display an out of date sticker or a sticker from another city. Even though this has been an ordinance for two and one half years, I still see cars driving around town with old vehicle stickers affixed to the front windows. If you have vehicle stickers on your car, in addition to the current sticker, take the time to remove old vehicle stickers--it could save you from getting a ticket.

### **UNWELCOME KNOCKS ON YOUR DOOR?**

Residents wishing not to be bothered by solicitors can post a NO SOLICITORS INVITED decal on their doors. The decal can be picked up from the Clerk's Office. There is no charge for the decal.

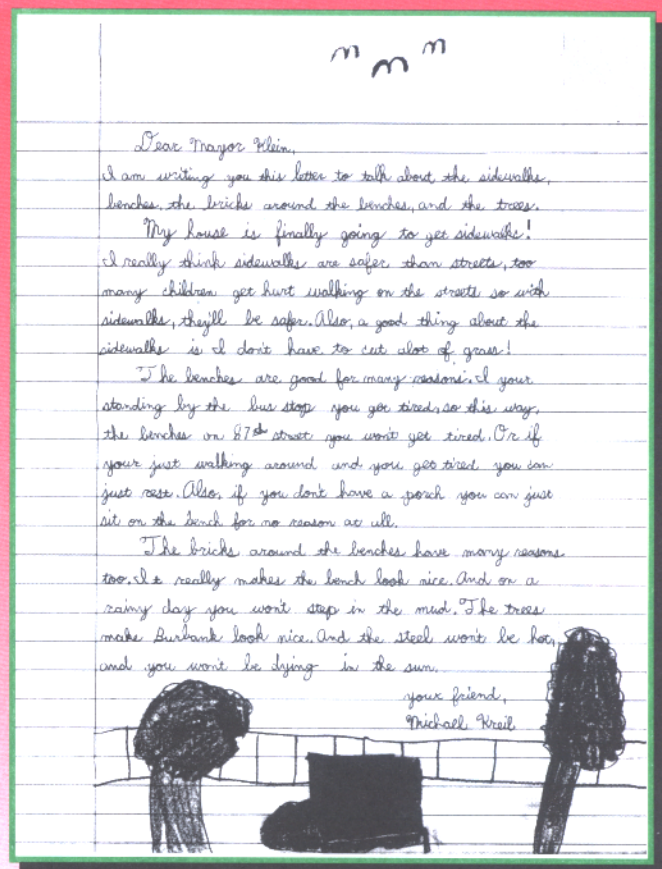
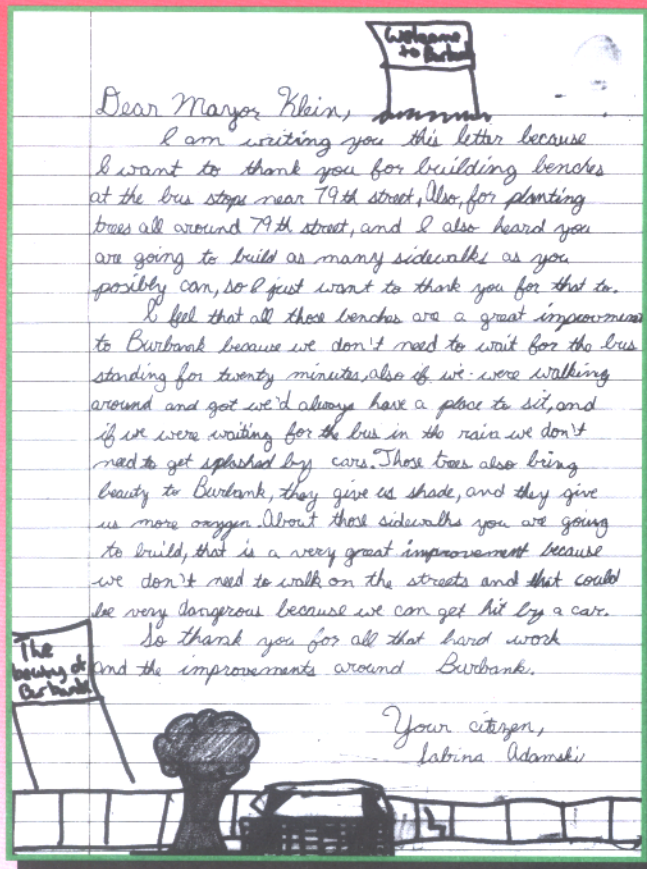


**THE STAFF OF THE CLERK'S OFFICE WISHES ALL OF YOU..  
A HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON!**





Mayor Klein is joined by 5th Grade students from Byrd School, along with their teacher, Mrs. Tara Abeja. The students wrote letters to the Mayor expressing their thanks for the new sidewalks and the beautification of trees and benches along 79th Street. Mayor Klein posted the children's letters in the council chambers and invited them, along with their parents, to attend a city council meeting. Below are a few samples of their letters.





## Where to call for...

### POLICE DEPT.

Police Service .....911  
(Emergency and Non-Emergency)  
Information .....924-7300  
Youth Office .....924-7300

### FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Alarm &  
Emergency Ambulance .....911  
Information .....599-7766

### PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Street Repairs .....458-2112

BLIGHT OFFICER .....599-5500

### ADMINISTRATION

OFFICES .....599-5500

Mayor's Office  
(Administration)  
City Clerk's Office  
(Licenses & Registration)  
(Employment Referral Program)  
Treasurer's Office  
(Budget & Payroll)  
Zoning Dept.  
Building Dept.  
(Permits & Inspections)  
Zoning Board of Appeals  
Public Information Office  
(Maps, Newsletters & Publications,  
Mayor's Office)  
Civil Defense  
Emergency Tornado  
Information .....599-9551

Harry J. Klein.....*Mayor*  
Betty Trovato.....*City Clerk*  
Dean L. Viverito.....*City Treasurer*  
(708) 599-5500

### ALDERMANIC COMMITTEES

Burbank City government works effectively through aldermanic committees, holding public meetings on a regularly scheduled basis. At the meetings, the Mayor and the department heads meet with the alderman on the committees, do studies, and then make recommendations to the council for enactment. The City Council meets the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at City Hall. Residents are invited to attend the meetings also make requests to the aldermen according to their committee assignments.

### COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN & MEMBERS

Meet 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month - 7:30 p.m., City Hall

#### Public Safety and Civil Defense

Dan Foy, Chairman  
Lester Soliday

#### Finance Committee

James Druggan, Chairman  
James Grider, Colleen Pollard

#### Undeveloped Property Committee

Lester Soliday, Chairman  
Dan Foy, William Flaherty

#### Streets Committee

William Flaherty, Chairman  
Lester Soliday

#### Zoning Committee

Lester Soliday, Chairman  
Dan Foy, James Druggan

#### Youth-Senior Citizens Committee

Jason Pyle, Chairman  
William Flaherty  
Colleen Pollard

#### Blight Committee

Dan Foy, Chairman  
William Flaherty, Colleen Pollard

#### 1st Ward

Ald. Dan Foy.....424-6406

#### 2nd Ward

Ald. Colleen Pollard .....636-1346

#### 3rd Ward

Ald. William Flaherty.....423-7436

#### 4th Ward

Ald. James Grider.....599-2227

#### 5th Ward

Ald. Lester Soliday .....636-0018

#### 6th Ward

Ald. James Druggan .....598-9079

#### 7th Ward

Ald. Jason E. Pyle .....599-7036



## SPECIAL HOLIDAY HOURS

The City of Burbank will observe the following holiday schedule:

### CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

Tuesday, December 24th  
8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 25th  
Closed

### NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAY

Tuesday, December 31st  
8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Wednesday, January 1st  
Closed

## City of Burbank

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